THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO-SCINDIA); (a) The contract was awarded to M|s. Railway Cycle Stand Karamchari Shram Samvida Sahkari Samiti Ltd., Allahabad for a period of 4 months in view of the operational needs and safeguarding the .financial & administrative interests of the " Railway Administration.

(b)" M|s. Cycle Stand Karamchari Shram Samvida Sahkari Samiti worked from 22-2-87 to 21-6.87 for coal handling cinder picking and ash handling work at Allahabad and the deductions on different accounts are given id th© Statement. *(See* below).

(c) Penalties were levied on the Society in terms of the provisions of the contract, details Of which have been furnished as at <b) above.

Statement

Deduction ' *Nort-Stackins Penalty and Penally for Cinder Shortage Etc.) it Lj-0 Shed Allakabzul Work Done By M/S. Railway Cycle Stand Karamchari Shri Ram Samvida Sahkari Samiti Ltd. Allahabad For the Period* 22-2-87 To' 21-6-87.

Month	Engine detention	D murr-rage	Penalty for non-stacking	Penalty for cinder shortage
	Rs. P.	Rs. P.	Rs. P.	Rs. P.
Feb. '87 (22-2-87 to 28-2-87)	——	50·40	——	——
March, 87	——	38·64	163·70	——
April, 87	80·00	285·60	286·30	1715·70
May, 87	120·00	1364·46	85·60	——
June. 87 (up to 21-6-87)	20·00	1759·08	·516·20	1719·27

Announcements in Aircraft in regional language

381. SHRI M. VINCENT: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be .pieased to referto reply to Unstarred Question No. 1785 given in Rajya Sabha on llth March, 1987 and state whether. Government propose to introduce announcements in regional languages in the aircraft at different airports, besides those in English and Hindi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI IAGDISH TYTLER): There is no such proposal to introduce announcements in regional languages in the aircraft at different airports, besides those in English and Hindi. All inflight announcements in Indian Airlines flights are made in Hindi and Englishj ground announcements, wherever made by Indian Airlines, are done in regional language also, in addition to Hindi and English, Air-India also make announcements in Tamil on the India|Kaulalumpur|Singa-pore|India Sector and in Malayalam on Trivandrum|Gulf|Trivandrum flights in addition to English and Hindi.

Poor telephone service in southern states

382. SHRI M. VINCENT; Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pieased to state:

(a) whether it is a .fact that telephone fault rectification and telephone main tenance and service is comparatively very poor, in the four southern states of the country; and

(b) if so, what steps Government pro pose to take to rectify the same?